

What is Claimed is:

1. A method for duplicating a user environment in a first computer system, said method comprising:
collecting user environment data from the first computer system, the collecting performed by a computer program; and
storing the user environment data on a removable nonvolatile media.
2. The method of claim 1, wherein the collecting includes: identifying attributes to include in the user environment data.
3. The method of claim 1, said method further comprising: restoring the user environment data stored by the first computer system onto a second computer system.
4. The method of claim 1, wherein the first computer system includes a UNIX operating system.
5. The method of claim 1, wherein the collecting is performed for a plurality of users, each of the plurality of users having one or more accounts on the first computer system.
6. The method of claim 1, wherein the user environment data includes at least one of printer definitions, tty definitions, network interfaces, user passwords, and license information.
7. The method of claim 1, said method further comprising: transporting the removable nonvolatile media from the first computer system to a second computer system; loading the removable nonvolatile media in a device capable of reading the media; and

6 restoring the user environment data from the removable
7 nonvolatile media to the second computer system.

- 1 8. An information handling system, said system comprising:
2 one or more processors;
3 an operating system operable by the processors;
4 a memory accessible by the processors;
5 a removable nonvolatile storage device accessible by the
6 processors;
7 a user environment duplication tool for duplicating user
8 environment data in a first computer system, the tool
9 including:
10 means for collecting user environment data from the
11 first computer system, the collecting performed
12 by a computer program; and
13 means for storing the user environment data on a
14 removable nonvolatile media.

- 1 9. The information handling system of claim 8, wherein the
2 collecting includes:
3 means for identifying attributes to include in the user
4 environment data.

- 1 10. The information handling system of claim 8, further
2 comprising:
3 means for restoring the user environment data stored by the
4 first computer system onto a second computer system.

- 1 11. The information handling system of claim 8, wherein the
2 first computer system includes a UNIX operating system.

1 12. The information handling system of claim 8, wherein the
2 means for collecting is performed for a plurality of users,
3 each of the plurality of users having one or more accounts
4 on the first computer system.

1 13. The information handling system of claim 8, wherein the
2 user environment data includes at least one of printer
3 definitions, tty definitions, network interfaces, user
4 passwords, and license information.

1 14. The information handling system of claim 8, further
2 comprising:
3 means for transporting the removable nonvolatile media from
4 the first computer system to a second computer system;
5 means for loading the removable nonvolatile media in a
6 device capable of reading the media; and
7 means for restoring the user environment data from the
8 removable nonvolatile media to the second computer
9 system.

1 15. A computer program product stored on a computer operable
2 medium, the computer program product programmed to
3 duplicate a user environment in a first computer system,
4 said computer program product comprising:
5 means for collecting user environment data from the first
6 computer system, the collecting performed by a
7 computer program; and
8 means for storing the user environment data on a removable
9 nonvolatile media.

- 1 16. The computer program product of claim 15, wherein the
2 collecting includes:
3 means for identifying attributes to include in the user
4 environment data.
- 1 17. The computer program product of claim 15, further
2 comprising:
3 means for restoring the user environment data stored by the
4 first computer system onto a second computer system.
- 1 18. The computer program product of claim 15, wherein the means
2 for collecting is performed for a plurality of users, each
3 of the plurality of users having one or more accounts on
4 the first computer system.
- 1 19. The computer program product of claim 15, wherein the user
2 environment data includes at least one of printer
3 definitions, tty definitions, network interfaces, user
4 passwords, and license information.
- 1 20. The computer program product of claim 15, further
2 comprising:
3 means for transporting the removable nonvolatile media from
4 the first computer system to a second computer system;
5 means for loading the removable nonvolatile media in a
6 device capable of reading the media; and
7 means for restoring the user environment data from the
8 removable nonvolatile media to the second computer
9 system.